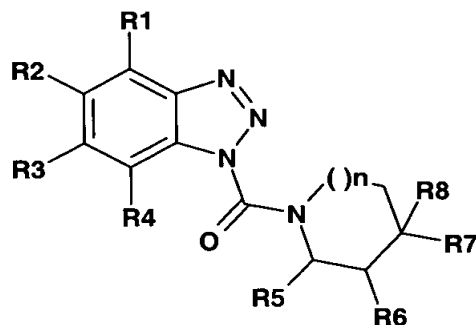


Claims:

1. A benzotriazole of formula I,



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in which:

n is an integer selected from 0, 1 and 2

R1 to R8 are each H, except that

one of R2 and R3 may be selected from

- 10 Br, Cl, CH₃, CN, NH₂, NO₂, CF₃, OCH₃, phenoxy, benzoyl, CH(OH)-phenyl, S-cyclohexyl, and CO-OCH₃; or

R1 is Cl and R3 is CF₃; or

R2 is F and R3 is Cl; or

one of R6 and R7 may be selected as follows:

- 15 R6 is CH₃ or R7 is selected from CH₃, C₂H₅, CH(CH₃)₂, C(CH₃)₃, CF₃, Br, Cl, benzyl and CO-OC₂H₅; or

R6 and R7 each are CH₃; or

R6 and R7 may be replaced by a double bond between the ring carbon to which they are attached; or

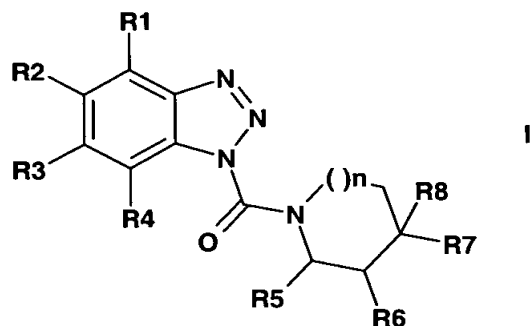
- 20 R5 and R6 or R6 and R7 may, in combination with the carbon to which they are attached, form a benzo-fused ring or, when n is 0, may form cyclohexanediyl, the ring formed from R6, R7 and the carbons to which they are attached being optionally substituted singly by NH₂ or NO₂ or substituted singly or doubly by OCH₃; and

R7 and R8, together with the carbon to which they are attached, may form cyclopentyl,

diazirinediazirine or =CH₂; provided, however, that when R1 to R5 and R8 are H, and R6, R7 and the

- 25 carbons to which they are attached form a benzo-fused ring, n is not 1, and when R1 and R3-R8 are H and R2 is CH₃, n is not 1.

2. A benzotriazole of formula I as claimed in claim 1,



in which:

R1 to R8 are each H, except that one of R2 and R3 may instead be selected from the following
5 substituents:

R2 is selected from Br, Cl, CN, NO₂, CF₃, OCH₃, phenoxy, benzoyl,
CH(OH)-phenyl, S-cyclohexyl, and CO-OCH₃; or

R3 is selected from CH₃, CN, Br, Cl, NH₂, NO₂, and benzoyl.

10 3. A benzotriazole of formula I as claimed in claim 1, in which :

R1 to R8 are each H; except that one of R2 and R3 may instead be selected from the following
substituents:

R2 is selected from Br, Cl, NO₂, OCH₃, phenoxy, and CO-OCH₃; or

R3 is NH₂; or

15 R2 is F and R3 is Cl; or

n is 1 or 2 and

one of R6 and R7 is selected from the following substituents:

R6 is CH₃; or R7 is selected from CH₃, CF₃ and Br; or

R6 and R7 may be replaced by a double bond between the ring carbons to which they are attached; or

20 R6 and R7 may, in combination with the carbons to which they are attached, form a benzo-fused ring,
which may be optionally substituted singly by NH₂ or substituted singly or doubly by OCH₃; and

R7 and R8 together, with the carbon to which they are attached,
form a cyclopentyl; or

n is 0 and

25 R6 and R7, together with the carbons to which they are attached, form a benzo-fused ring or
cyclohexanediyl.

4. A benzotriazole of formula I as claimed in claim 1, wherein

R1 to R8 are each H; except that one of R2 and R3 may instead be selected from the following substituents:

R2 is selected from Br, CN, CF₃, OCH₃, phenoxy, benzoyl,

5 CH(OH)-phenyl, and S-cyclohexyl; or

R3 is selected from CN, Br, Cl, NO₂, and benzoyl; or

R1 is Cl and R3 is CF₃; or

n is 1 and

one of R6 and R7 is selected from the following substituents:

10 R6 is CH₃; or

R7 is selected from CH₃, C₂H₅, CH(CH₃)₂, C(CH₃)₃, benzyl and CO-OC₂H₅; or

R6 and R7 are each CH₃; or R6 and R7 may be replaced by a double bond between the ring carbons to which they are attached; or

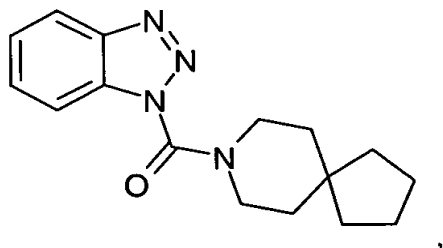
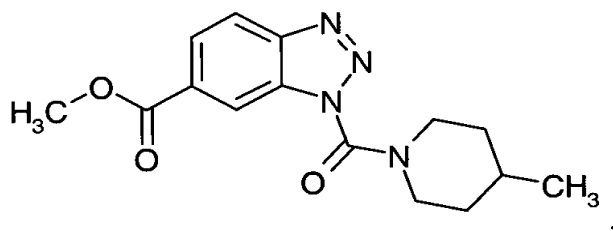
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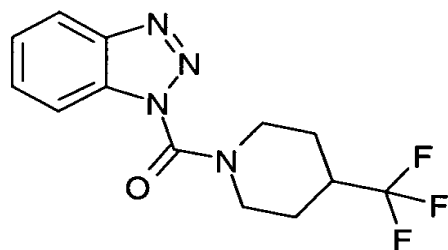
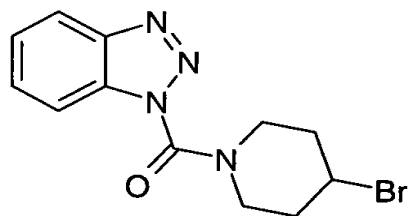
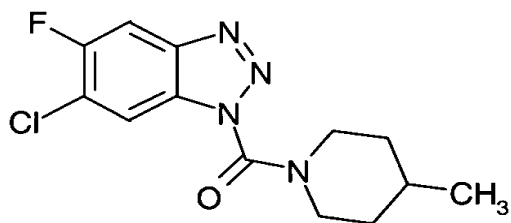
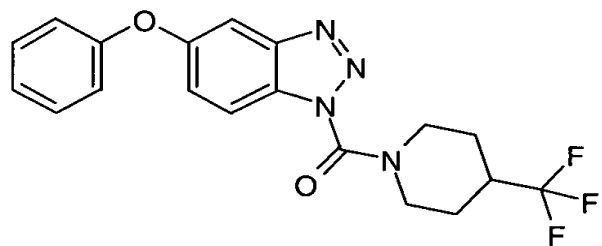
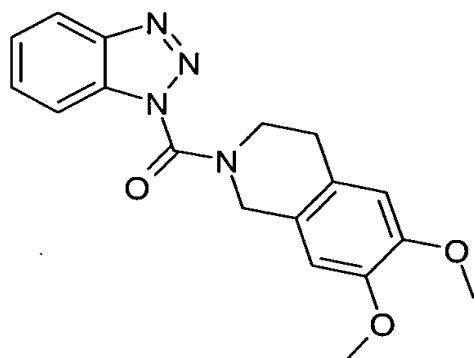
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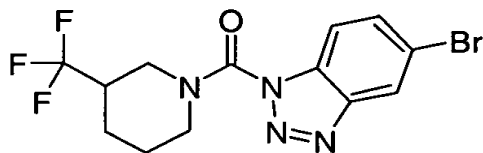
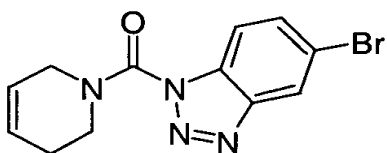
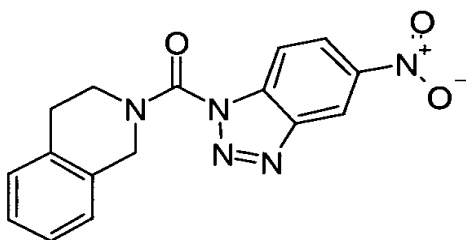
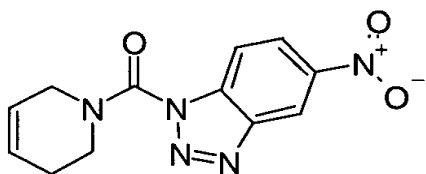
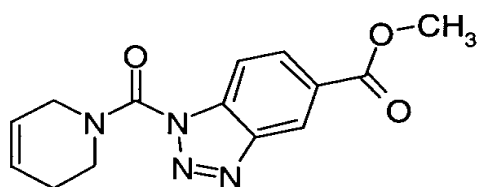
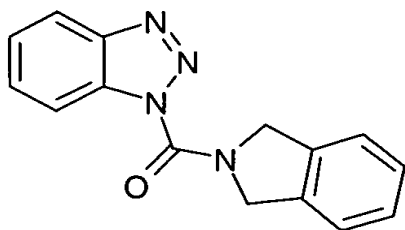
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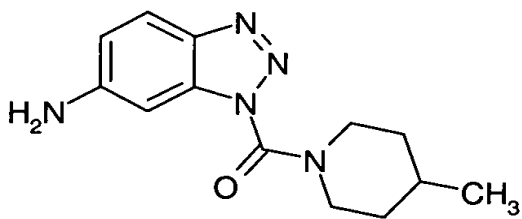
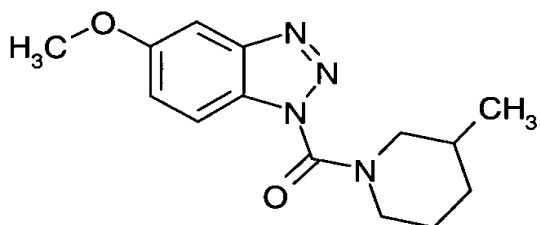
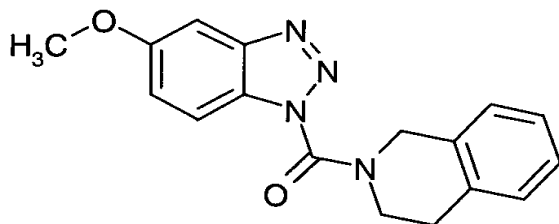
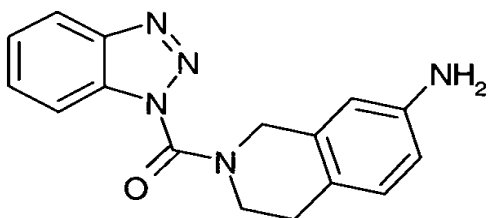
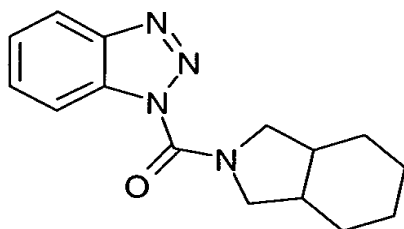
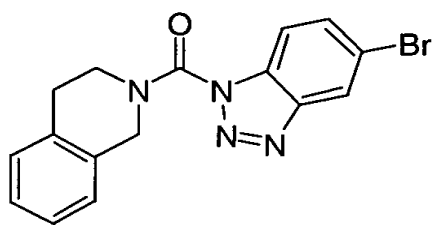
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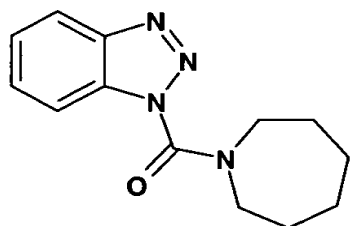
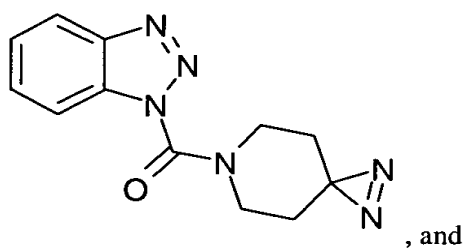
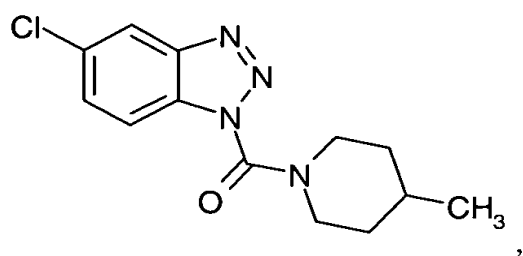
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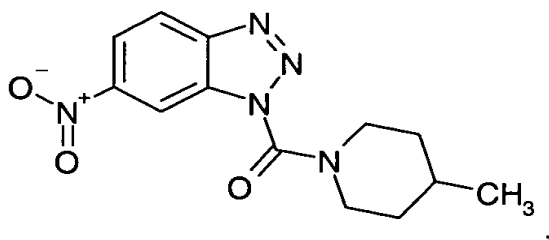
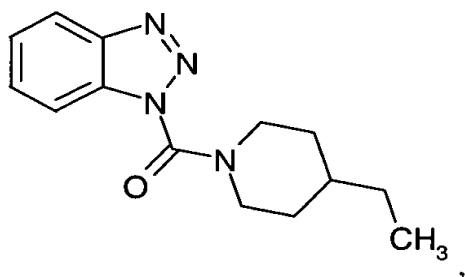


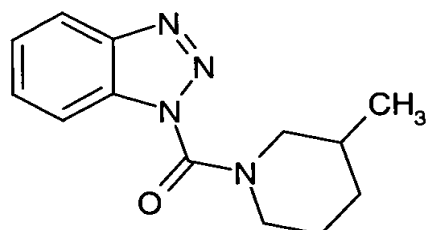
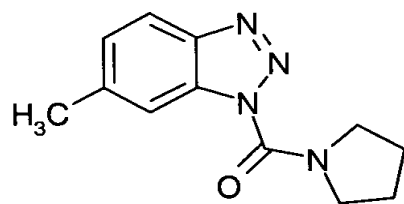
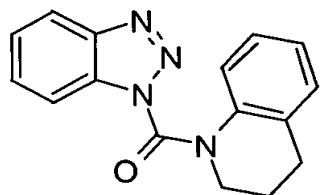
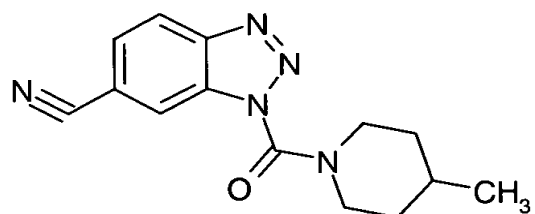
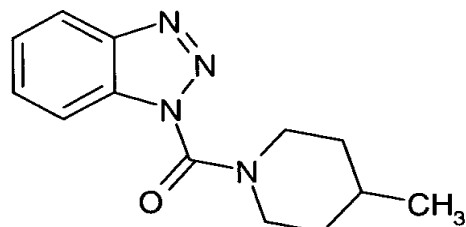
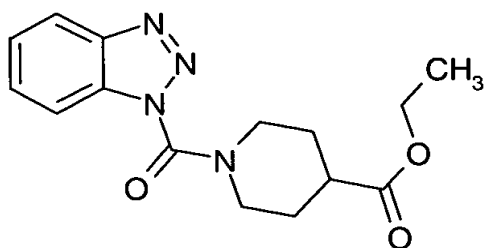


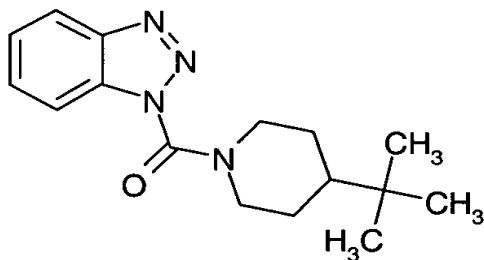
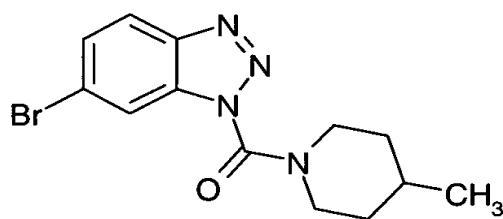
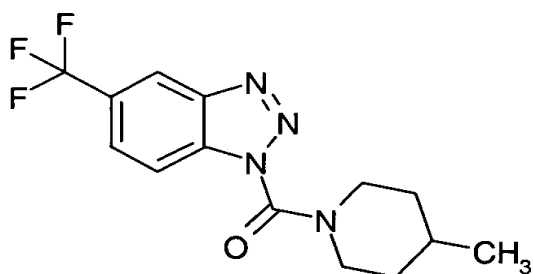
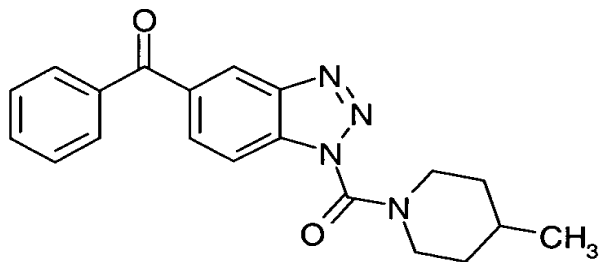
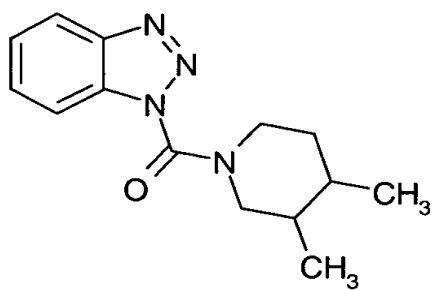


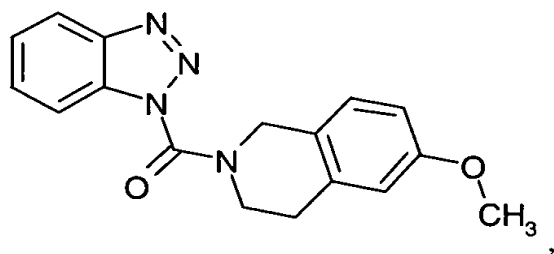
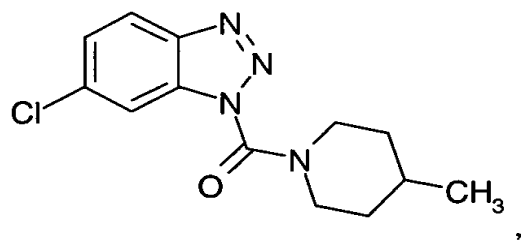
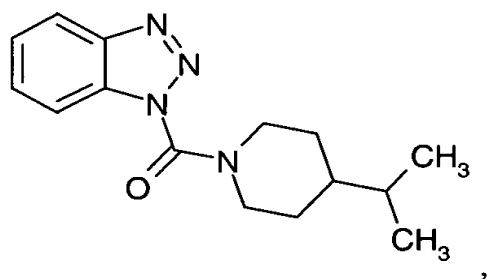
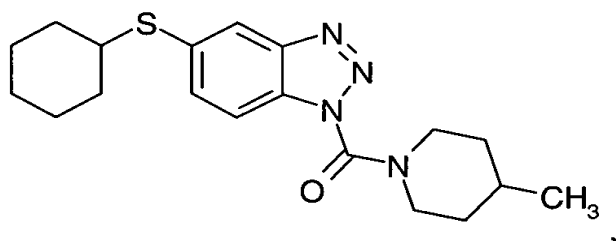
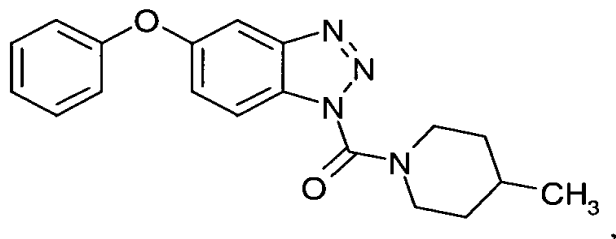
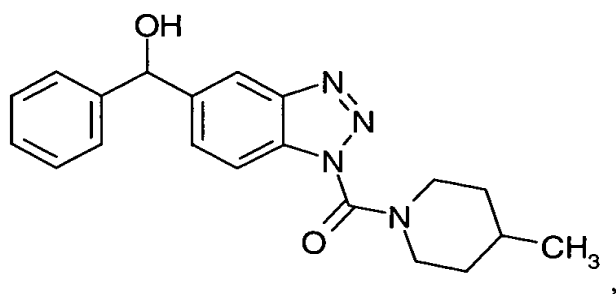


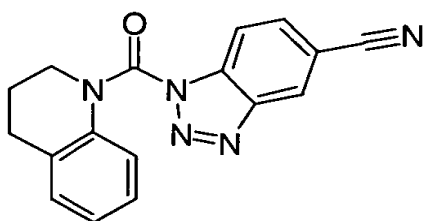
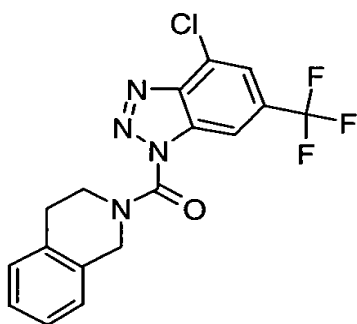
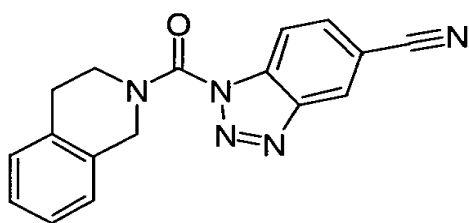
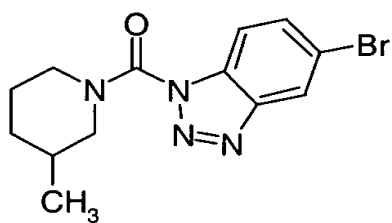
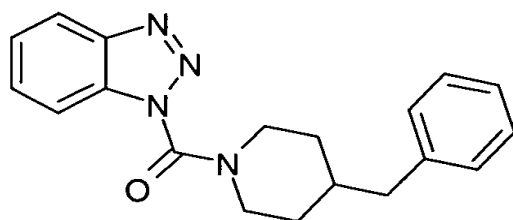
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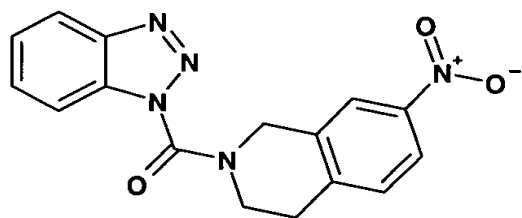
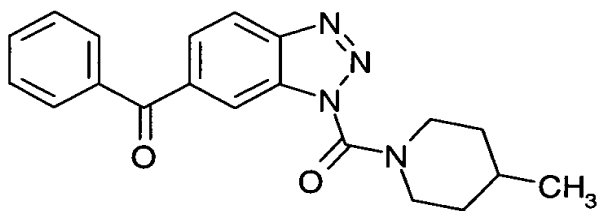
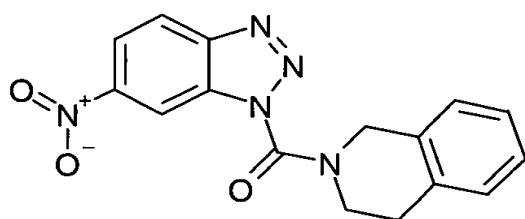
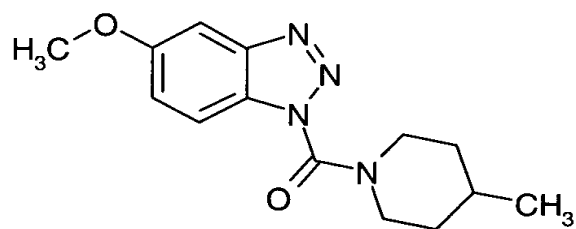
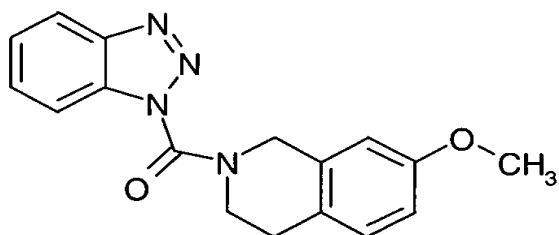
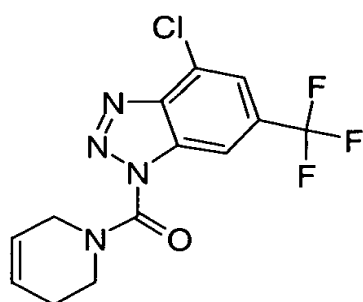


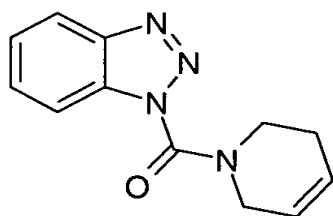
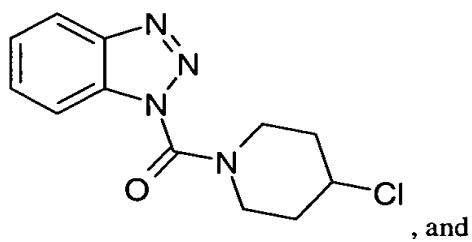




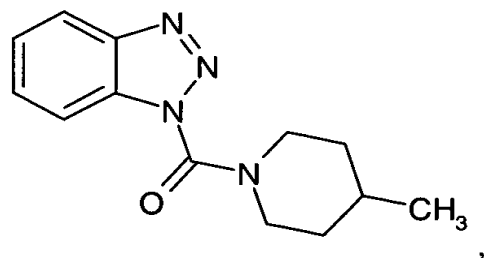
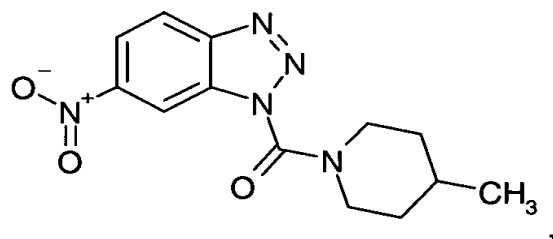
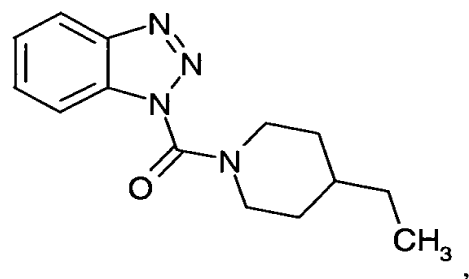


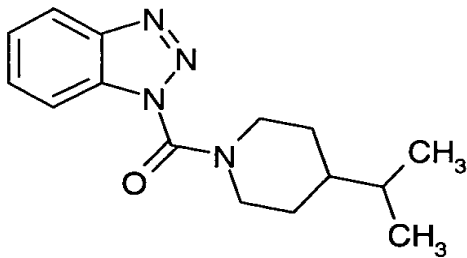
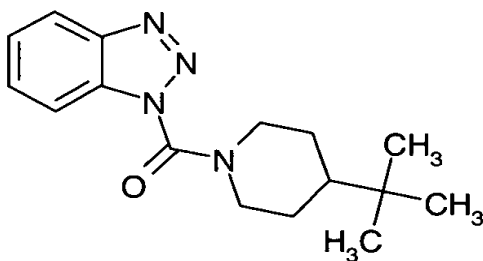
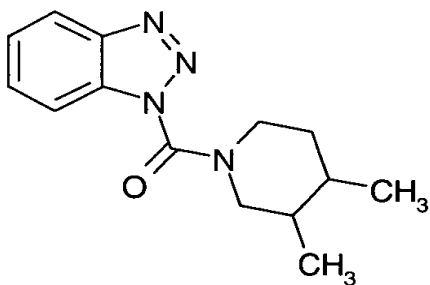
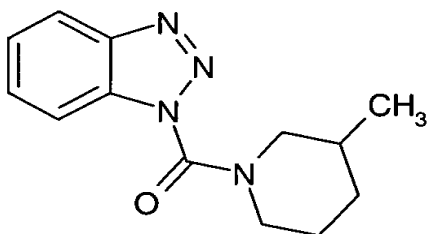
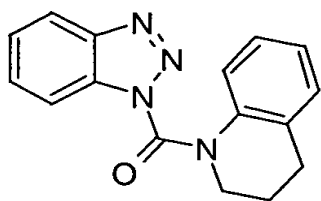


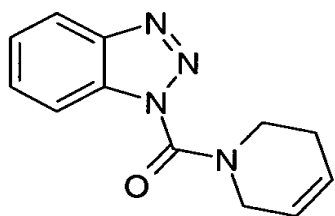
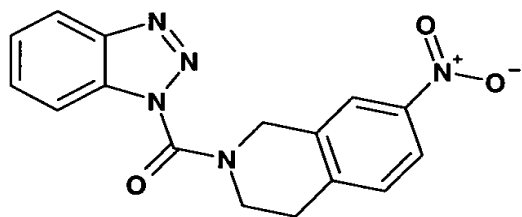
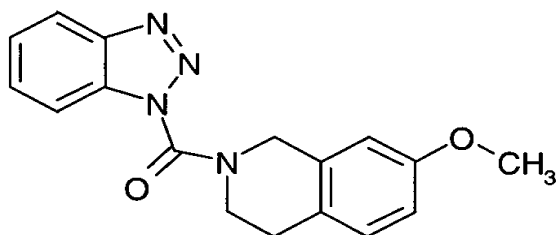
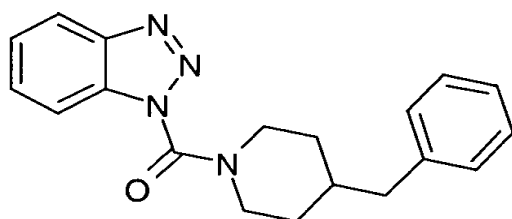
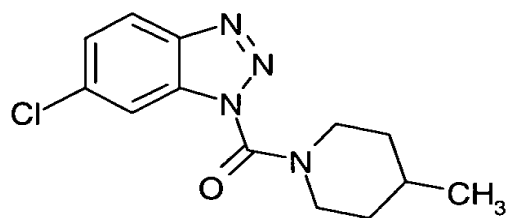




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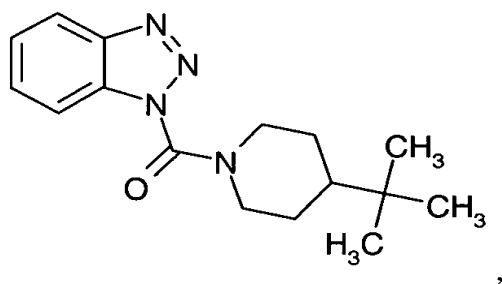
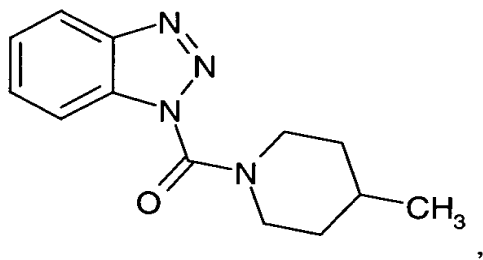
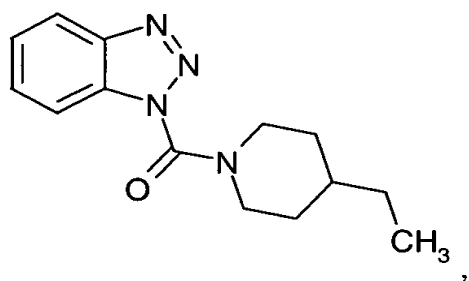




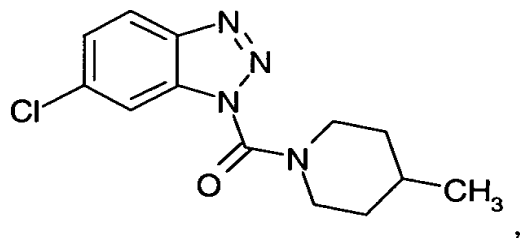
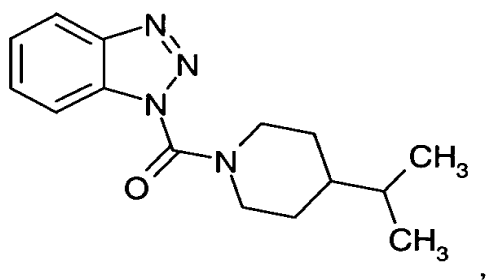
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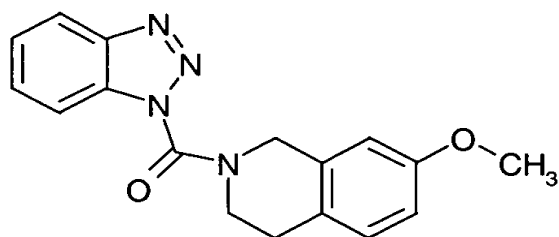
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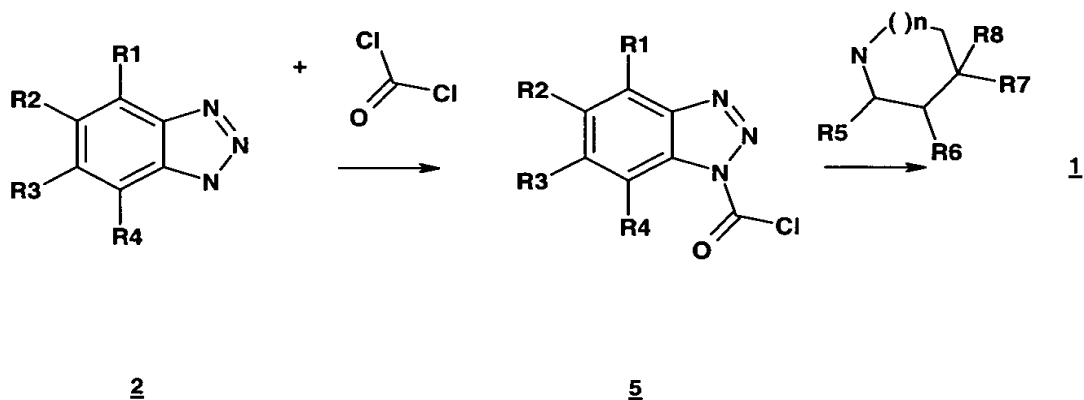
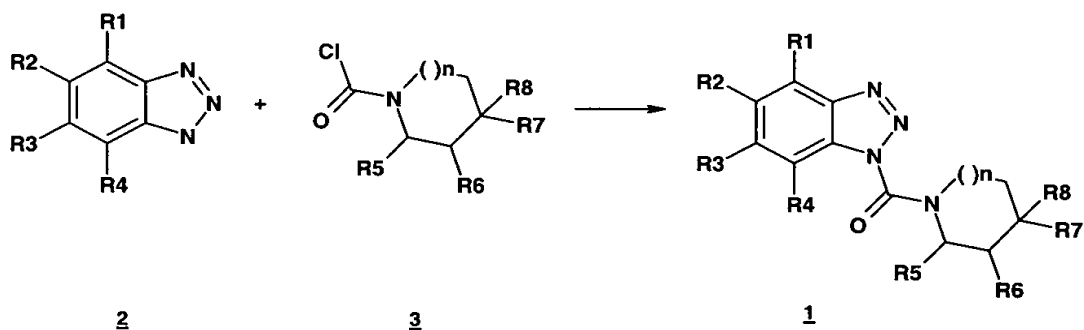


and



9. A process for preparing the compounds of formula I as claimed in claim 1, which comprises

- 5 a) acylating benzotriazole 2 with carbamoyl chlorides 3, or
 b) initially reacting benzotriazoles 2 with phosgene and then reacting the resulting
 benzotriazolecarbonyl chlorides 5 with amines or anilines to give the compounds of the formula I, in
 which the substituents are as defined in claim 1:



10. A medicament comprising, as an active ingredient, a benzotriazole of formula I as claimed in
 15 claim 1.

11. A method of inhibiting hormone-sensitive lipase, HSL, comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a medicament as claimed in claim 10.

12. A method of treatment of non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus or of diabetic syndrome or syndrome X, comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a medicament as claimed in claim 10.

13. A method for the treatment of non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus or of diabetic syndrome X, comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of at least one benzotriazole of formula I as claimed in claim 1.